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WAVEGUIDE DEVICE

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

(Transmittal)

Dear Sir:

Prior to entering into the national stage of this international application under 35 U.S.C.  $\S 371$ , please amend the claims according to the claim listing which follows. In particular, please amend claims 3-13 and 15-17.